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TO AMEMBASSY CAIRO IMMEDIATE

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SUBJ: UNEF EXTENSION

REF: CAIRO 7112

1. WE APPRECIATE YOUR OBSERVATIONS IN REFTEL. YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAT APPEAL FROM SC PRESIDENT WILL IN FACT BE BASED ON INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITH OTHER SC MEMBERS. AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN HAS ALREADY GIVEN TEXT OF DRAFT APPEAL TO PRESIDENT (PLAJA OF ITALY) WHO HAS CONVEYED SAME TO MEGUID AND LATTER IS PRESUMABLY SEEKING INSTRUCTIONS. SC PRESIDENT IS EXPECTED TO INITIATE INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITH OTHER SC MEMBERS.

2. THE TEXT OF OUR PROPOSED APPEAL WAS VERY CAREFULLY DRAFTED. WE WOULD NOT RPT NOT WISH TO RAISE POSSIBILITY OF ADDING WORDS SUCH AS "ON THE CONSENSUS OF THEIR VIEWS" AS YOU SUGGEST. THE MORE EXPLICITLY THE APPEAL APPEARS TO REFLECT FORMAL ENDORSEMENT OF COUNCIL MEMBERS, THE MORE DIFFICULT IT WILL BE TO GET SUCH APPEAL SINCE MEMBERS LIKE CHINA AND IRAQ HAVE TAKEN A POSITION OF "NON-PARTICIPATION"

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WITH REGARD TO UNEF ACTIONS IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL. WHEN

AN SC PRESIDENT LAUNCHES AN APPEAL, IT IS PRESUMED TO HAVE THE SUPPORT OF SC MEMBERS IN THE ABSENCE OF INDICATIONS TO THE CONTRARY BY INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS.

3. THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD NOT RPT NOT SUGGEST SUCH CHANGES TO FAHMY NOR, INDEED, SHOULD YOU ENGAGE IN DISCUSSION OF TEXT OF APPEAL WITH HIM UNLESS WE PROVIDE EXPLICIT INSTRUCTIONS TO DO SO.

4. IN ACCORDANCE WITH BASIC AGREEMENT WE HAVE REACHED WITH FAHMY, THE MATTER HAS NOW BEEN PUT IN THE HANDS OF THE SC PRESIDENT, AND WE WISH HIM TO CARRY ON THE EFFORT. IF FAHMY TRIES TO ENGAGE YOU IN DISCUSSIONS ON THIS SUBJECT, YOU SHOULD INDICATE YOU ARE UNINFORMED OF THE PRECISE STATE OF PLAY IN NEW YORK AND THAT YOU WILL REPORT TO WASHINGTON ANY QUESTIONS HE MAY HAVE. KISSINGER

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